



Southern Region News Release

Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 4 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 237 million eggs in incubators during the week ending December 28, 2019, up 4 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 81.9 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Up 7 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 189 million chicks for meat production during the week ending December 28, 2019, up 7 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 5, 2019 through December 28, 2019 for the United States were 9.66 billion. Cumulative placements were up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set – Selected States and United States: 2019

State	Week ending						Percent of previous year
	November 23, 2019	November 30, 2019	December 7, 2019	December 14, 2019	December 21, 2019	December 28, 2019	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)
Alabama	33,501	33,566	33,293	33,602	33,696	33,567	107
Florida	1,178	1,178	1,178	1,178	1,178	1,178	99
Georgia	34,915	34,952	34,371	32,629	35,038	34,549	99
South Carolina....	5,693	5,807	5,512	5,827	5,886	5,396	92
United States	236,955	237,420	234,222	237,106	239,141	237,300	104

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service, *Broiler Hatchery*, January 2, 2020

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Alabama	22,319	22,119	25,329	24,507	25,360	23,016	103
Florida	1,214	1,325	1,338	1,317	1,310	1,284	98
Georgia	24,551	27,332	26,260	26,466	26,719	27,660	105
South Carolina....	5,229	4,320	5,118	5,503	4,311	5,098	113
United States	179,793	183,645	188,638	188,941	189,318	188,557	107

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Alabama	33,501	33,566	33,293	33,602	33,696	33,567
Arkansas	23,858	23,540	23,312	24,064	23,818	23,860
Delaware	5,470	5,466	5,467	5,469	5,469	5,468
Florida	1,178	1,178	1,178	1,178	1,178	1,178
Georgia	34,915	34,952	34,371	32,629	35,038	34,549
Kentucky	7,806	7,747	7,268	8,014	7,933	7,896
Louisiana	3,864	3,758	3,668	3,774	3,774	3,819
Maryland	7,931	8,096	7,846	7,671	7,759	7,971
Mississippi	18,006	18,015	18,275	18,243	18,538	17,749
Missouri	8,952	8,664	8,929	8,983	8,934	8,952
North Carolina	24,798	24,735	24,338	25,187	25,017	24,898
Oklahoma	7,765	7,573	7,200	7,879	7,860	7,781
Pennsylvania	5,791	5,976	6,021	5,868	6,085	5,712
South Carolina	5,693	5,807	5,512	5,827	5,886	5,396
Texas	17,781	17,934	18,115	18,398	18,192	18,132
Virginia	5,903	6,682	6,134	6,484	6,257	6,468
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	12,925	12,769	12,177	12,810	12,870	12,790
Other States	10,818	10,962	11,118	11,026	10,837	11,114
United States	236,955	237,420	234,222	237,106	239,141	237,300
Percent of previous year	104	101	107	105	104	104

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Alabama	22,319	22,119	25,329	24,507	25,360	23,016
Arkansas	21,213	21,254	21,991	21,580	21,745	21,831
Delaware	4,955	5,454	4,901	4,601	5,350	5,196
Florida	1,214	1,325	1,338	1,317	1,310	1,284
Georgia	24,551	27,332	26,260	26,466	26,719	27,660
Kentucky	6,125	5,880	6,095	6,239	6,231	6,476
Louisiana	2,743	2,963	2,925	3,271	3,164	3,115
Maryland	5,917	5,506	6,202	6,194	6,018	6,062
Mississippi	14,708	14,891	15,400	15,398	15,426	15,380
Missouri	4,815	5,194	6,046	6,622	5,753	5,950
North Carolina	19,324	20,613	19,293	19,649	20,069	19,303
Oklahoma	4,936	5,020	4,420	4,281	4,292	4,333
Pennsylvania	4,127	4,333	4,533	4,290	4,347	4,515
South Carolina	5,229	4,320	5,118	5,503	4,311	5,098
Texas	14,084	13,169	13,891	14,179	14,239	14,633
Virginia	5,306	5,870	4,995	5,463	5,979	5,084
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	10,859	10,100	11,104	11,075	10,826	11,143
Other States	7,368	8,302	8,797	8,306	8,179	8,478
United States	179,793	183,645	188,638	188,941	189,318	188,557
Percent of previous year	104	103	103	103	100	107

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